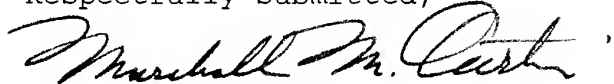


REMARKS

Claims 1 - 4 and 9 - 25 remain active in this application and have been allowed in a Notice of Allowability mailed May 12, 2008. The issue fee has not been submitted. Cancellation of claims 5 - 8 without prejudice or disclaimer and inclusion of a period (".") at the end of claim 25 has been requested. Therefore, neither the disclosure nor the scope of any remaining allowed claim is affected by the above-requested amendment. No new matter has been introduced into the application.

A recommendation in favor of entry and Notice to that effect at an early date is respectfully requested. Please charge any deficiencies in fees and credit any overpayment of fees to Deposit Account No. 50-0510 of International Business Machines Corporation (Yorktown).

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